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For: Novel Protein and DNA Thereof

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2004, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider and enter the following amendments and remarks into the above-captioned application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (a) a Fee Transmittal Sheet with appropriate fee (in duplicate); (b) a Petition for Extension of Time (one month, to and including November 15, 2004); and (c) Exhibit A.

1. Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.
2. Remarks begin on page 5.